

Lathi Charge by Police on Chamundi Coffee Curing Workers

111. Sri V. N. PATIL (Humnabad) [On behalf of Sri M. S. KRISHNAN (Malleswaram)].—

Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state.—

(a) whether it has come to the notice of Government that there was a lathi charge by the police on the innocent workers of the Chamundi Coffee Curing Works, Mysore ;

(b) whether it is a fact that more than 30 women workers were beaten up mercilessly and some of them were molested by the police ;

(c) if so, the action the Government has taken against the police officials who were found guilty ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA (Minister for Public Works) [On behalf of Sri D. DEVARAJ URS (Chief Minister)].—

(a) The workers of Chamundi Coffee Curing Works, Mysore who had struck work, entered the factory premises on 19th March 1972 and obstructed the un-loading of coffee seeds in the factory premises. As they did not heed the advice of the police to disperse from the place the police resorted to lathi charge to disperse them.

(b) No. When the police resorted to lathi charge to disperse the workers they ran pell-mell in all directions and while running some of them fell down and sustained minor injuries.

(c) Does not arise in view of replies to clauses (a) and (b) above.

Sri V. N. PATIL.—In answer to (b) it has been stated “when the police resorted to lathi charge to disperse the workers, they ran pell-mell in all directions and while running some of them fell down and sustained minor injuries.” May I know whether any injuries were sustained on account of the lathi charge and whether the mob had turned violent which made the Police to resort to lathi charge ?

† Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—I can answer if one question is asked at a time.

Sri V. N. PATIL.—Did the workers fall down on account of the lathi charge ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—My information is that the injuries were suffered during the course of their running and falling.

Sri H. S. SIDDAPPA.—Did anybody see falling of the workers ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—All those who were present at that time, saw them falling.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಬಿ. ರಾಮಸ್ವಾಮಿ.—ಎಲ್ಲರೂ ಒಟ್ಟಿಗೆ ಹೋಗಿ ಬಿದ್ದುಬಿಟ್ಟರು ಎಂದು ಹೇಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದೀರಿ, ಪೊಲೀಸಿನವರು ರಾಲಿ ಚಾರ್ಜ್ ಮಾಡಿರತಕ್ಕ ವರದಿ ತರಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಂ. ಚನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ.—ವರದಿ ತರಿಸಿಕೊಂಡು ಅದರ ಆಧಾರದ ಮೇಲೇ ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಡುತ್ತಾ ಇರುವುದು.

Sri C. M. ARUMUGAM.—Were there any women workers out of the injured persons?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Yes, Sir.

Sri C. M. ARUMUGAM.—Out of these persons, how many were women and whether they were treated for injuries?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—There was only one woman by name Smt. Gangamma, who fell down while running.

Sri V. N. PATIL.—What prompted the Police to resort to lathi charge and how the lathi charge ended without touching anybody?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—While 12 lorry loads of coffee seeds were being unloaded in the permises under Police protection and the unloading was being done with a clear understanding that those who are striking, will not interfere in the unloading. At about 10-30 a. m. all of a sudden about 200 workers began to prevent the unloading as a result of that clash commenced and the lathi charge had to be resorted.

Vacant Posts of Primary School Teachers in Haliyal Taluk

129. Sri GHADI VIRUPAKSHA M. MALLAPPA (Haliyal).—

Will the Minister for Education be pleased to state.—

(a) the number of sanctioned posts of Primary School teachers in Haliyal Taluk (North Kanara);

(b) the number of posts that were vacant during the academic year 1971-72 and the duration of each of the vacant posts;

(c) the reasons for keeping the posts vacant and the persons responsible for the same?

Sri A. R. BADARINARAYANA IYENGAR (Minister for Education).—

(a) 236.

(b) 7 posts.

Duration :

4 posts from June 1971 to August 1971.

3 posts from November 1971.

(c) Due to changes in the Recruitment Committee from District level to State level and back again to District level, there has been some delay in the matter of recruitment.

ಶ್ರೀ ಗಾಡಿ ವಿರುಪಾಕ್ಷ ಮಲ್ಲಪ್ಪ.—ರೆಕ್ರೂಟ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಕಮಿಷಿಯವರು ಮಾಡಿದ ಲರ್ವ್‌ನ್ನು ಡಿ. ಡಿ. ಪಿ. ಐ. ಆವರು ಕ್ಯಾನ್ಸಲ್ ಮಾಡಿ ಎಂಪ್ಲಾಯ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಎಕ್ಸ್‌ಚೇಂಜ್‌ನಿಂದ 150 ಜಾಗೆಗಳನ್ನು ತುಂಬಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಈ ವಿಳು ನಿಜವಾಗಿರಬಹುದು ಏತಕ್ಕೆ ತುಂಬಲಿಲ್ಲ ?